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Attorney General John Ashcroft US Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I understand the Department of Justice is accepting and publishing public comments for the first time since the antitrust suit was brought against Microsoft more than three years ago.

Microsoft did not get off easy. The settlement was reached after extensive negotiations with a court-appointed mediator. The Company agreed to terms that extend well beyond the products and procedures that were at issue in the suit, for the sake of wrapping up the suit. Now several states and competitors want to pursue further litigation.

I personally feel the agreement reached in November was fair. I urge you to please end all litigation against Microsoft. Let's focus on other far important issues such as getting us out of the Recession and other pertinent issues.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey J. Rhodes

cc: Senator Rick Santorum

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